Bequest st. Paul's Luth, of Maryland be and the same are hereby given and declared Church. to the bequest of Mary Emma Spilcker, deceased, late of Balto the bequest of Mary Emma Spilcker, deceased, late of Baltimore City, of five hundred (\$500) dollars to St. Paul's English Evangelical Lutheran Church of Baltimore City, a body corporate.

> SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved February 13, 1900.

CHAPTER 3.

AN ACT to make valid deeds, mortgages, bonds of conveyance and bills of sale defective in the acknowledgment or in the certificate thereof.

Repeal.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Chapter one hundred and twenty of the Laws of the State of Maryland, Acts 1890, entitled an "Act to make valid deeds, mortgages, bonds of conveyance and bills of sale defective in the acknowledgment or in the certificate thereof." be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

82. All deeds, mortgages, bonds of conveyance and bills of sale which have been executed and acknowledged, and are recorded in this State subsequent to the passage of the Act of Made valid, the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January session, 1858, Chapter two hundred and eight, which may not have been acknowledged according to the laws existing at the time of said acknowledgment, or where the certificate of acknowledgment is not in the prescribed form, shall be and the same are hereby made valid to all intents and purposes as if the said acknowledgment and certificate thereof had been in legal form; provided, that said deeds, mortgages, bonds of conveyance and bills of sale in other respects are in conformity with the laws; and provided, further, that nothing in this section shall affect the interest of bona fide purchasers or creditors without notice who may have become so previous to the passage of this Act.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved February 26, 1900.